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and another edge overlying at least a segment of said top portion of said absorbent core member, thereby forming a retaining enclosure between said barrier layer and said segment of the top portion of said absorbent core member.

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3. (Amended) An integral disposable elasticized absorbent article comprising:

- (a) an absorbent body having a front waist portion, a back waist portion, a crotch portion and a pair of spaced apart leg openings;
- (b) an absorbent core member having a liquid pervious top layer facing the body of the wearer, a liquid impervious back layer substantially coextensive with said liquid pervious layer, and a liquid absorbent layer disposed between said top layer and said back layer;
- (c) means for fastening said absorbent body to the body of [the] a wearer, and
- (d) an elasticized barrier layer overlying [portion of] said absorbent core member [and secured to said absorbent body thereby defining a retaining enclosure between said barrier layer and said core member] wherein said elasticized barrier layer comprises barrier segments, each segment being secured to said absorbent body to form a retaining enclosure between each said segment and a portion of said absorbent core member.

Claim 8, line 8, change "the" in the last occurrence to - - a - -.

Claim 10, line 5, change "the" in the last occurrence to - - a - -.

Claim 12, line 4, change "the" in the last occurrence to - - a - -.

Claim 13, line 5, change "the" in the last occurrence to - - a - -.

Claim 15, line 4, change "the" in the last occurrence to - - a - -.